



## EMU BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS FACULTY'S FIBAA ACCREDITATION RENEWED

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Business and Economics Faculty was granted unconditional accreditation effective until 2026 by successfully completing the accreditation process operated by one of the most distinguished accreditation institutions all around the world, The Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA).

By stating that EMU Business and Economics Faculty was the first faculty to be granted the FIBAA accreditation, EMU Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur emphasized the pioneering role of EMU in this regard.

Expressing that the FIBAA accreditation they received for the first time in 2014 is extremely important in terms of showing the

quality of the programs within the Faculty, Prof. Dr. Timur underlined that the quality education provided in 17 undergraduate, 25 graduate (with / without thesis) and 4 doctoral programs within the Faculty is at world standards.

Underlining the importance of working with all stakeholder groups, Prof. Dr. Timur stated that the education provided by the faculty members is constantly supported, and that the education curriculum has been developed not only with the feedback from the students and graduates, but also thanks to the close cooperation with the business world. Prof. Dr. Timur expressed her gratitude to all faculty members, administrative staff, students, graduates and the business world who trust our graduates and contributed to the international accreditation process.



## EMU BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS FACULTY GRANTED WITH ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IN PRME

**PRME** Principles for Responsible  
Management Education

*an initiative of the United Nations Global Compact*

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Business and Economics Faculty has been granted the "active member" status following presenting its first progress report in United Nations Principles for Responsible Management Education platform. EMU was initially joined the platform back in 2019.

EMU Faculty of Business and Economics Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur stated that PRME, supported by the United Nations (UN) and established on the basis of the United Nations Global Compact, has 6 basic and founding principles, and said that these principles are based on the progress of corporate sustainability and social

responsibility efforts. Working with six basic principles, PRME aims to raise the sustainability profile in universities around the world and to provide future managers with the knowledge and skills related to these principles. While drawing attention to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), PRME aims to align academic institutions with the UN Global Compact. SDG is a universal call to action to eradicate poverty, protect our planet and ensure that all people live in peace and prosperity. It aims to provide the necessary skills (corporate sustainability, adherence to ethical values that take into account all stakeholder groups in the decision-making process, etc.) while

raising future leaders and managers as Responsible Managers for the realization of the SDG.

Prof. Dr. Timur made the following statements regarding the matter; "In our Progress Report given to PRME, we have included our work within the framework of these 6 principles. As we have shown in this report, the departments in our Faculty will contribute to our students and stakeholders' understanding of the importance of social and corporate sustainability, social responsibility and environmental protection, and will carry out activities to establish educational and developmental systems."



## EMU-SAGM UNITES OVER 12 THOUSAND TURTLES WITH THE SEA

Eastern Mediterranean University Underwater Research and Imaging Center (EMU-SAGM) continues its fight against the coastal degradation which negatively affects many species. Within the scope of the İskele, Yeniboğaziçi and Famagusta Coastline Sea Turtle Tracking and Protection Project which is run by EMU-SAGM for the last 13 years with İşBank as the main sponsor of the project, more than 12,000 sea turtle hatchlings were released to the sea. During the summer semester, EMU-SAGM organized 4 different sessions of turtle hatchling releases were organized for the children to take part in the process with the intention of awareness raising. The events focused on both contributing to raise environmental awareness and to instill the children with love for animals.

According to the information shared by the EMU-SAGM, the number of turtle nests located and put in protection within the last 6 months is 412. Unfortunately, 7% of the nests are destructed by vehicle movements at the beach.

### “Sea Turtles are Most Negatively Affected Species”

EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty, vice Head of Biological Sciences Department and EMU-SAGM Director Assist. Prof. Dr. Burak Ali Çiçek provided information on the activities and projects of EMU-SAGM and said: “Preventing the extinction of the endangered plants and animals living in the coastal area is possible with the effective use of the coastal areas. The coastal areas are not only home for many organisms which adapted the sea and/or terrestrial conditions but also are popular areas for human-use within the island life. As observed in all other Mediterranean countries, coastal degradation can be seen significantly in our country as well. The species that is most negatively affected by the coastal degradation is the sea turtles. Protecting the sea turtle population plays a crucial role in maintaining the balance of the marine ecosystem. Each living being has a function in nature. For instance, the decrease in the population of sea turtles leads to an uncontrolled increase in the jellyfish population. The biggest problems we encountered during our studies are stray dogs damaging the nests and people entering the beaches with their cars. We invite our people to be sensitive so that they do not enter the beaches with vehicles and do not damage the nests”.

### “Protecting all kinds of Species and Natural Beauties of our Country”

Underlining that sea turtles, especially *Caretta caretta* and *Chelonia mydas* species, which became the symbol of Cyprus, are under protection among the natural heritages of the island, Assist. Prof. Dr. Burak Ali Çiçek continues his words by saying: “Our aim in the protection work carried out for such species is not only to protect the sea turtles but also to protect other species that share the same habitat and the natural beauties of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). Within the scope of this goal, we as the EMU Underwater Research and



Imaging Center (EMU-SAGM) have been continuing the İskele, Yeniboğaziçi and Famagusta Coastline Sea Turtle Tracking and Protection Project for the last 13 years with the permit we had been awarded by the Environment Protection Department operating under TRNC Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources”.

### “%7 of the Nests Destructed by Vehicles Coming to the Coastline”

Assist. Prof. Dr. Burak Ali Çiçek stated that with academic staff member Hasan Deniz Akbora as the project coordinator, and the contributions of both native and international volunteers, the project has been successful for the last 13 years. Assist. Prof. Dr. Çiçek’s statement continues as follows: “Even though ongoing pandemic conditions, protection work successfully completed at the end of September, 2021. The work conducted in 2021 are sponsored by İşBank. Informative signboards are also put in the areas of work by the support

of İskele, Yeniboğaziçi and Famagusta Municipalities as well as the contributions of EMU Technical staff members”. Total of 412 turtle nests have been located within the 6-month long working period and, are put into protection. 7% of the nests are destructed by the vehicle movements in the coastal areas. Unfortunately, 8% of the nests could not be saved due to the water floods as a result of their locations being on tidal zones. 4% of them were destructed by animals such as dogs and foxes. 80% of the nests that were under protection were monitored, hatchlings were tracked and baby turtles were guided to the sea if there was a need for help. Over 12,000 sea turtles hatchlings were released to the sea.

EMU-SAGM Director Assist. Prof. Dr. Burak Ali Çiçek stated that the center, which was established in 2007, is to continue its work in areas such as seas, lakes, wetlands and all other aquatic systems on both national and international levels.

## EMU DR. FAZIL KÜÇÜK MEDICINE FACULTY MEMBER RELEASES STATEMENT ON “WORLD HEARTH DAY”

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty academic staff member, Marmara University Medicine Faculty vice Dean and Marmara University Medicine Faculty Cardiology Department academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. A. Altuğ Çiğin released a statement on the occasion of the “World Heart Day”. The statement is as follows:

“Considering that heart diseases and stroke are still associated with 18.6 million deaths each year, it is clear that we are dealing with the most successful serial killer known. According to data from the World Health Organization, this figure is expected to reach 22.2 million by 2030. In our country, the situation seems even more difficult. It is observed that 40% of deaths under the age of 75, that is, 2 out of every 5 people, die as a result of a cardiovascular disease.

When we physicians try to treat a disease, most commonly what we can do is to eliminate some or all of the results of the disease. For instance, even if the intervention we are going to apply to a patient who has a heart attack is performed within the appropriate time period, it does not change the fact that this patient has a very high risk in the coming years. It is obvious that the most effective fight against cardiovascular diseases that affect such a large part of the society should be in the “protection” phase. For this very reason, 29th of September has been referred as “World Heart Day” since 2012 in order to raise social awareness against Cardiovascular Diseases.

It is a scientifically proven fact that when social awareness and fight against risk factors are carried out successfully within predetermined programs, significant improvements can be achieved in

mortality rates. For example, in a large-scale registry study conducted in Finland, from 1972 to 2014, mortality due to coronary artery disease decreased by 84%, only 1/3 of this decrease was associated with new treatment methods, and 2/3 was associated with successful reduction in risk factors.

Apart from the irreversible risk factors such as advancing age, other risk factors like unhealthy diet, insufficient physical activity, use of tobacco and excessive alcohol are known to increase coronary heart diseases. It has also been clearly shown that high blood pressure, high cholesterol values, overweight and obesity increase all coronary and non-coronary atherosclerotic events. The effectiveness of socio-economic factors, increasing urbanization and environmental pollution, and stress has also been demonstrated by various studies.

Even though we cannot fully prevent the serial killer in our target, there is no other choice but to fight the existing risk factors, both individually and socially, in order to at least reduce the death rate. In line with the recommendations of the European Preventive Cardiology Guide published in 2021, minimum of 150 to 300 minutes of moderate exercise per week should be performed. If this target cannot be achieved, the time spent sedentary during the day should be limited, and the majority of the day should be spent with light activity. For nutrition, a Mediterranean type or similar healthy diet should be preferred. Excessive alcohol consumption should be prevented, fish should be consumed at least once a week, and processed meat consumption should be completely avoided. Complete cessation of smoking or tobacco consumption is essential. By checking our blood

pressure intermittently, we should make sure that it is not high, and we should continue our doctor’s checks regularly. All individuals under the age of 70 are advised to consult their physician for a 10-year cardiovascular risk assessment, even if they do not have any cardiovascular disease, diabetes, hypertension, kidney failure, or an acquired or genetic lipid disorder (high cholesterol). The risk of developing heart attack, stroke, heart failure and other complications will be significantly reduced with the creation of personalized goals according to your risk group determined by your doctor and interventions appropriate to your risk factors. I wish you a healthy year”.



## EMU DR. FAZIL KÜÇÜK MEDICINE FACULTY TO WELCOME NEW STUDENTS



**Dr. Fazıl Küçük Tıp Fakültesi**  
2021-2022 Akademik Yılı Açılış ve Beyaz Önlük Giydirme Töreni  
Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine  
Opening Ceremony of the Academic Year 2021-2022 and White Gown Ceremony

**10:00-10:15**  
Saygı Duruşu ve İstiklal Marşı  
A Moment of Silence and The National Anthem

**10:15-10:30**  
Müzik Dinletisi / Music Concert

**10:30-10:45**  
Üniversite ve Fakülte Tanıtım Filminin İzlenmesi  
EMU and Faculty of Medicine Promotional Films

**10:45-11:30**  
Açılış Konuşmaları / Opening Speeches  
Ghazaleh Sadat Aghazadeh Naeeni,  
DAU Dr. Fazıl Küçük Tıp Fakültesi  
3. Sınıf Öğrencisi  
3<sup>rd</sup> Year Medicine Student  
DAU Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine

Prof. Dr. Nahide Gökçora, Dekan / Dean  
Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, Rektör / Rector

**11:30-12:00**  
Beyaz Önlük Giyme Töreni  
White Coat Ceremony

**12:00-12:30**  
İlk Ders - Ağız Terebütünden Yapay Zeka  
21. Yüzyılın İlk Dersi (Kırtım İçin)  
The First Lecture - From Vaccine Hesitancy to Artificial Intelligence:  
Being a Physician in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (Online)

Prof. Dr. Lütfiye Mülazimoğlu (Enfeksiyon Hastalıkları ve Mikrobiyoloji Profesörü)  
Prof. Dr. Lütfiye Mülazimoğlu Professor of Infectious Diseases and Microbiology

Yer: Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Salonu  
Venue: Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall  
4 Ekim 2021  
4<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Doğu Akdeniz Üniversitesi Eastern Mediterranean University

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty 2021 – 2022 Academic Year Opening and White Gown Ceremony will be held on Monday, the 4th of October, 2021 at 10:00 at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall.

Ceremony will commence with a moment of silence and recitation of the national anthem followed by a musical performance from the Department of Fine Arts. Following the introduction films of the university and the faculties, EMU Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine

Faculty 3rd year student Ghazaleh Sadat Aghazadeh Naeeni, Dean Prof. Dr. Nahide Gökçora and EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın will deliver the opening speeches of the event. After the opening speeches, the traditional White Gown Ceremony will take place. The event will end with the first online course presentation titled “From Vaccination Hesitation to Artificial Intelligence: Being a Physician in the 21st Century” by Infectious Diseases and Microbiology Specialist Prof. Dr. Lütfiye Mülazimoğlu.

## EMU 24<sup>TH</sup> ORIENTATION DAYS CONTINUE



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) 24<sup>th</sup> Orientation Days sponsored by Telsim continue until the 9 October, 2021. The Orientation Days are organized with the intention of supporting the new students in their adaptation period as well as introducing the university structure and the opportunities. Organized within the framework of the Pandemic rules and measures, the Orientation Days are welcomed 24/7 from Ercan Airport, Famagusta and Kyrenia Ports and accompanied to their dormitories.



Within the scope of the Orientation Days, help desks and Telsim stands for communication needs are set in front of the Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, Registrar's Office and Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School buildings for students and their families in order to facilitate the adaptation of students to the university and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC).

## PREPARATIONS FOR EMU AND CPCA 2<sup>ND</sup> GÜLSİN ONAY PIANO FESTIVAL ARE COMPLETED



Preparations for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Gülsin Onay Piano Festival to be held in memory of Turkish Pianist Verda Erman within the scope of the cooperation between the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Cyprus Polyphonic Choirs Association (CPCA) are completed. The festival will take place on 5-6-7 October, 2021. The event will include competitions, festivals, panels, concerts and Gülsin Onay workshops. The festival will end on Thursday evening, 7 October, 2021 with the closing concert of pianist Gülsin Onay with the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Presidential Symphony Orchestra at EMU Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center. Gülsin Onay will come together with young pianists for a workshop on Tuesday, 5 October,

2021. The workshop will be held at Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center between 10:00 – 18:00 within the framework of the pandemic rules. On the same day at 19:00, an online piano recital will be performed by pianist Atakan Sarı on EMU TV – YouTube channel. An online panel moderated by Assist. Prof. Dr. Emine Kıvanç Öztüğü will be held on Wednesday, 6 October, 2021 at 20:00. Prof. Dr. Selmin Tufan will deliver a presentation on “Pedagogical Approaches in Beginner Level Piano Education” and Prof. Dr. Enver Tufan on “An Evaluation of Online Piano Education”.

In the competitions to be held within the scope of the festival, the participants will be evaluated by the jury in

line with the performance videos they send online via the YouTube channel. The results of the competition will be announced on Thursday, 7 October 2021 at 17.00.

### Gülsin Onay Closing Concert on 7<sup>th</sup> of October

Many pianists and piano instructors from Turkey and Cyprus will serve as jury members during the festival, which will end with the closing concert where the famous pianist Gülsin Onay will perform live on Thursday, 7 October, 2021. The festival is organized by Pianist Atakan Sarı, Cyprus Polyphonic Choirs Association Choir Conductors Erkan Dağılı and Rana Uluçay, and Board Member Esra Uluçaylı.



## WORLD ARCHITECTURE DAY MESSAGE FROM EMU FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE DEAN PROF. DR. UĞUR ULAŞ DAĞLI

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Architecture Dean Prof. Dr. Uğur Ulaş Dağılı published a message about 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 World Architecture Day. Prof. Dr. Dağılı included the following statements in her message:

“World Architecture Day is celebrated along with United Nations World Habitat Day at the first Monday of October every year since 1985. International Union of Architects (UIA) designated this year’s theme as ‘Clean environment for a healthy world’. UIA focused on three basic fields with this theme. ‘Harbouring, public spaces and the relationship of these with climate change.2

This date is important and means a lot to us since it is also coinciding with the first opening day of our

university where we will reunion with our students face to face. We provide our education bound to the theme of creating a clean environment for a healthy world. The future architects are graduating with this mission. On the other hand, as Faculty of Architecture, we produce solid proposals in order to fix the dirty and unhealthy environment created by physical surroundings at the geography which we live.

I hope that, as society, we can solve these problems with scientific approaches by experts before we have to live at an unhealthy environment where solutions drain away. By these means, I wish that the new academic term will bring us healthy days and I congratulate the World Architecture Day of all architects and architect candidates who design/will design a better world.”



## This Week's Academic Publications

Source: Web of Science

## Faculty of Arts &amp; Sciences

- 1- Fernandez, A., Restrepo, J. E., & Suragan, D. (2021). Lipschitz and Fourier type conditions with moduli of continuity in rank 1 symmetric spaces. *MONATSHFTE FÜR MATHEMATIK*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00605-021-01621-w> (Early Access)
- 2- Mazharimousavi, S. H., & Halilsoy, M. (2021). Electric and magnetic black holes in a new nonlinear electrodynamics model. *ANNALS OF PHYSICS*, 433. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aop.2021.168579>
- 3- Oumarou, C. M. S., Fahad, H. M., Djida, J. D., & Fernandez, A. (2021). On fractional calculus with analytic kernels with respect to functions. *COMPUTATIONAL & APPLIED MATHEMATICS*, 40(7). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40314-021-01622-3>

## Faculty of Health Sciences

- 1- Gumus, R., Uslu, S., Aydogdu, U., Imik, A., & Ekici, M. (2021). Investigation of the Effects of Glutens on Serum Interleukin-1 Beta and Tumor Necrosis Factor-Alpha Levels and the Immunohistochemical Distribution of CD3 and CD8 Receptors in the Small Intestine in Male Rats. *BRAZILIAN ARCHIVES OF BIOLOGY AND TECHNOLOGY*, 64. <https://doi.org/10.1590/1678-4324-2021210256>

## Faculty of Engineering

- 1- Habib, A., AL Hour, A., Habib, M., Elzokra, A., & Yildirim, U. (2021). Structural Performance and Finite Element Modeling of Roller Compacted Concrete Dams: A Review. *LATIN AMERICAN JOURNAL OF SOLIDS AND STRUCTURES*, 18(4). <https://doi.org/10.1590/1679-78256467>

## Faculty of Business &amp; Economics

- 1- Tuna, G., & Almahadin, H. A. (2021). Does interest rate and its volatility affect banking sector development? Empirical evidence from emerging market economies. *RESEARCH IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND FINANCE*, 58. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2021.101436>

## School of Computing and Technology

- 1- Akinsola, G. D., Awosusi, A. A., Kirikkaleli, D., Umarbeyli, S., Adeshola, I., & Adebayo, T. S. (2021). Environmental, public relations, and financial development in Brazil: a gradual shift causality approach. *ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND POLLUTION RESEARCH*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11356-021-15791-5>

## Faculty of Medicine

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- 2- Kilicaslan, D. Y., Cumaogullari, O., Emiral, E., Tezer, N., Oncu, B., Ozdag, H., Canturk, N., & Tufan, N. L. S. (2021). Investigation of polymorphic variants of SLC6A4 TPH-1, and TPH-2 genes in cases of completed suicide. *JOURNAL OF MENS HEALTH*. <https://doi.org/10.31083/jomh.2021.116> (Early Access)

## Faculty of Pharmacy

- 1- Karadag, A. E., Okur, N. U., Demirci, B., & Demirci, F. (2021). Rosmarinus officinalis L. essential oil encapsulated in new microemulsion formulations for enhanced antimicrobial activity. *JOURNAL OF SURFACTANTS AND DETERGENTS*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/jsde.12549> (Early Access)



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